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TWENTY-NINTH SESSION

OF THE

Central Baptist Association

OF

NOVA SCOTIA,

HELD WITH THE

BAPTIST CHURCH AT BERWICK, KING'S COUNTY,
SATURDAY, MONDAY, AND TUESDAY, JUNE
21ST, 23RD, AND 24TH.

WITH THE

CIRCULAR LETTER, &C.

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MINUTES.

BERWICK, KING'S COUNTY,
Saturday Morning, June 21st, 1879.

The NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION began its Twenty-ninth session this day with the church at Berwick, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Rev. S. W. DeBlois, the Moderator of last year, called the Association to order. After prayer by Rev. Dr. Tupper, the following list of Delegates was presented :

DELEGATES.

Aylesford Upper.—Rev. J. L. Read, Dea. Oliver Cogswell, Brethren George West, B. Graves, Samuel Bowlby, and J. Palmer.

Aylesford Lower.—Revds. E. O. Read, Dr. C. Tupper, Deacons Jacob Neily, J. L. McKenne, J. H. Hall, and Gilbert Margeson.

Bridgewater.—Deacon B. W. C. Manning.

Cambridge.—Rev. J. Murray, Deas. W. H. Forsyth, Wm. McConnel, Charles Eaton, and I. Shaw.

Chester.—Rev. I. J. Skinner, and Dea. David Hume.

Cornwallis 1st, (Canard).—Rev. S. B. Kempton, Deas. Joshua Ells, H. Eaton, Wm. Thomos, C. F. Eaton, and Colin W. Roscoe.

Cornwallis 2nd, (Berwick).—Rev. S. McC. Black, Deacons Thos. White, John Rand.

Cornwallis 3rd, (Billtown).—Rev. S. Welton, Deacons E. E. Parker, Elias Bilcup, Bros. J. Bligh, W. S. Sweet.

Cornwallis 4th, (Long Point, Greenwick).—Rev. J. L. Read, Deacons Edward Eaton, George Gould, and James Hicks.

Cornwallis 5th, (Pereaux).—Revds. S. March, and D. Freeman,

Cornwallis 6th, (Canning).—Rev. S. March, Brethren Levi C. Woodworth, and Harris North.

Falmouth.—Brother Burpee Shaw.

Halifax 1st, (Granville Street).—Rev. E. M. Saunders, Deacon S. Selden, and J. W. Rhuland,

Halifax 2nd, (North).—Rev. J. W. Manning, Bros. Nathaniel Smith, and Samel Mosher.

Halifax 3rd, (Tabernacle.)—Rev. J. F. Avery, and Dea. B. Hubeley.

Hantsport.—Dea. Wm. Davidson, and Bro. E. Davidson.

Horton 1st, (Wolfville.)—Revds. S. W. DeBlois, D. M. Welton, and C. Coldwell.

Horton 3rd, (New Minas.)—Brother James Fitch.

Kempt.—Rev. Geo. A. Weathers, Dea. J. Masters, and Bro. Stephen Aguile.

Kentville.—Rev. F. D. Crawley, Deas. T. H. Borden, Geo. E. Masters, H. Illsley, and H. Lovitt.

Maitland.—Rev. G. N. Ballentine, and Brother. Jos. McNutt.

New Cornwall.—Brother W. Hallimore.

New Germany.—Rev. M. W. Brown, Dea. Geo. Barss, and Bro. Samuel Lohnes.

New Ross.—Dea. William Corkum, Bros. C. Haverstock, (Lic.) and G. W. Lantz.

Newport.—Rev. J. H McLean, Bros. James Robinson, and Wm. Wally.

Rawdon.—Brother Ephraim Brymer.

Windsor.—Rev. E. M. Kierstead, Dea. M. Curry, Brother A. P. Shand.

Walton.—Brother J. B. Moxon.

Invited to a seat with the Association.—Andrew Chipman, A. T. Baker, Edward Parker, Dea. M. Wheelock, Dea. Chas. Rockwell, C. N. Rawding, Rev. Joseph D. Skinner, Dea. J. W. Barss, Harvey Lantz, David Lantz, Rev. W. E. Hall, Prof. C. Gates.

The Officers were then elected :

Moderator.—Rev. Dr. Welton.
Secretary.—Rev. F. D. Crawley.
Assistant Secretary.—Rev. Sydney Welton.
Treasurer.—Bro. E. C. Banks.
Assistant Treasurer.—Bro. A. T. Baker.

The following Committees were appointed :

To Examine Letters.—Revds. E. M. Saunders, I. J. Skinner, S. B. Kempton.

To Read Letters.—Revds. S. March, J. F. Avery, E. M. Kierstead.

On Questions in Letters.—Revds. David Freeman, E. O. Read, J. L. Read.

Letters from the churches were then read.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. I. J. Skinner.

SATURDAY—Afternoon Session.

Meeting opened at 2½ o'clock, with prayer by Rev. S. B. Kempton.

The reading of letters from churches was continued.

A Committee was appointed to consider the advisability of any change in the printing of the Minutes, as follows :—Revds. E. M. Saunders, S. B. Kempton, S. March, G. N. Ballentine, Dea. J. W. Barss.

The Committee on Arrangements reported as follows :

The Committee of Arrangements recommend that there be Morning Prayer-meeting at 6.30 o'clock. Morning Session 10 to 12 o'clock. Afternoon 2.30 to 5 o'clock. Monday evening Session 7 to 9.30.

SABBATH APPOINTMENTS.

Berwick, (Baptist)—11 A. M. Rev. Dr. Welton.
3 P. M. Rev. G. Weathers.
7 P. M. Rev. E. M Kierstead.

Berwick, (Methodist)—11 A. M. Rev. Dr. Tupper.

Weston—3 P. M. C. Haverstock,

Harborville—3. P. M. Rev. Dr. D. M. Welton.

Lower Aylesford—11. A M. N. Kingston.

Greenwood Square—3.30 P. M. Rev. Sydney Welton.
Upper Aylesford—11 A. M. Rev. J. F. Avery.
Morristown—11 A. M. Rev. G. N. Ballentine.
Cambridge—11 A. M. Rev. D. Freeman.
Cold Brook—3 P. M. Rev. D. Freeman.
Black Rock—11 A. M. Rev. M. W. Brown.
Grafton—3 P. M. Rev. M. W. Brown.
Billtown—11 A. M. Rev. J. A. McLean.
Brooklyn Street—3 P. M. Rev. J. A. McLean.
Canard—11 A. M. Rev. J. W. Manning.
Windsor—11 A. M., and 6½ P. M. Rev. I. J. Skinner.

The Committee recommend that collections be taken at all Baptist houses of worship on Sabbath for Mome Missions; that the Associational Sermon be preached at 10 o'clock on Monday; that the Circular Letter be read immediately afterwards; that the afternoon session of Monday be devoted to Education, and the evening session to Missions.

A Committee to nominate Committees for next year was appointed—consisting of Revds. J. W. Manning, S. W. DeBlois, E. M. Kierstead, David Freeman, and Joseph Murray.

Resolved, That the invitation of the church at Windsor for next year's session of the Association be accepted.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association be tendered to the church at Billtown for their kind invitation.

The Association appointed as its delegates:

To P. E. Island Association—Revds. G. N. Ballentine, S. B. Kempton, Dea. S. Selden.

To N. S. Eastern Association—Rev. David Freeman, Dea. S. Selden, Rev. Dr. Welton.

To Convention—Bro. C. F. Eaton, Rev. Geo. Weathers, Deas. J. W. Barss, S. Selden, Brethren H. Lovett, J. W. Rhuland.

To N. S. Western Association—B. W. C. Manning, Revds. Dr. Tupper, Dr. Welton.

A Committee on Temperance was appointed, consisting of Rev. David Freeman, Chairman, Brethren H. Lovett, Isaac Shaw, Jos. McKenne, Rev. D. O. Parker.

Committee on Circular Letter reported, and recommended that the letter be received and read.

The Committees appointed last year were made to stand as follows:

To Examine Circular Letter.—Revds. S. B. Kempton, J. A. McLean, S. W. DeBlois.

On Denominational Literature.—Revds. S. March, D. Freeman, Bros. J. A. Pineo, A. P. Shand, T. H. Parker.

On Benevolent Funds.—Revds. J. Murrray, E. O. Read, Bros. Edwin Rand, Joshua Ells, Henry Lovett.

On Education.—Revds. S. W. DeBlois, J. W. Manning, Dr. Sawyer, J. O. Read, Bro. S. Selden.

On Missions.—Rev. E. M. Saunders, Bro. A. Coldwell, Rev. E. M. Kierstead, Bros. A. P. Shand, C. F. Eaton.

On Obituaries.—Revds. I. J. Skinner, J. Williams, Dr. Tupper, Bro. A. T. Baker.

On Sabbath Schools.—Revds. J. W. Manning, G. N. Ballentine, J. A. McLean, M. W. Brown, S. Welton.

Board of Infirm Ministers Fund.—Revds. S. W. DeBlois, S. March, S. B. Kempton, Prof. D. F. Higgins, Bros. C. F. Eaton, J. W. Barss, Jas. S. Morse.

On Arrangements.—Revds. S. McC. Black, D. O. Parker, J. L. Read, J. Murray, Bro. Edward Parker.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. D. Freeman.

MONDAY MORNING, June 23rd.

Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. D. Freeman.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Letters from several churches were then read.

Rev. John Williams, appointed to preach the Association Sermon, was absent, his alternate Rev. J. A. McLean, not having been notified, declined to preach. Rev. E. M. Saunders preached the Association Sermon on the Symbolisms of Christian Baptism, from Romans vi. 3, 4. "Know yet not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized unto his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptisms into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."

After prayer by Rev. S. B. Kempton, the Circular Letter was read by the writer, Rev. E. M. Keirstead. Subject: "Fellowship of the Churches."

Resolved, That the Letter be adopted, and laid on the table until the report of the Committee on Printing the Minutes be received.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. E. Hall.

MONDAY—Afternoon Session.

Meeting opened at 2½ o'clock. Prayer by Rev. Joseph Murray.

Resolved, That Bro. A. Coldwell be requested to obtain the Statistics of 2nd Horton Church, and forward them for publication in the Minutes.

Resolved, That the question—that hereafter a brief history of some Church in the Association be prepared and read before the Association, and printed in the Minutes, be referred to the Committee on Questions in Letters.

Report of Committee on Education was read by Rev. S. W. DeBlois, and discussed by Revds. S. B. Kempton, D. Freeman, S. W. DeBlois, Dr. Tupper, Dr. Welton, S. McC. Black, E. M. Saunders, E. M. Keirstead, and Dea. J. W. Barss. Report adopted. (See Appendix A.)

Resolved, That Revds. J. W. Manning, and J. A. McLean, be added to the delegates to Prince Edward Island Association.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. A McLean.

MONDAY—Evening Session.

Meeting opened at 7½ o'clock with prayer by Rev. S. March.

The Report of the Committee on Denominational Literature was read by Rev. S. March, and discussed by Bro. A. P. Shand, Revds. W. E. Hall and J. Murray. Report was adopted. (See Appendix B.)

A Committee was appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a Baptist Book Room in Nova Scotia, and to make such arrangements as they may deem necessary, and report at the next Association to be held at Windsor, consisting of Bro. A. P. Shand, Revds. S. March, J. W. Manning, Bros. Dr. Parker, and S. Selden.

Report of Treasurer of Board of Infirm Ministers' Fund was read and adopted. (See Appendix C.)

A Committee was appointed to revise the List of Ministers published in the Minutes, consisting of Revds. S. March and W. E. Hall.

A Committee was appointed to consider the desirability of recommending any change in the Hymn Books in use among the churches, consisting of Bro. A. P. Shand, Dea. S. Selden, Rev. Dr. Welton, and Prof. Gates, to give special attention to the music. Revds. E M. Keirstead, S. W. DeBlois, and S. B. Kempton to examine the Hymns and their sentiments.

Report on Missions, read by Rev. E. M. Saunders was received and discussed by Revds. Dr. Tupper, J. F. Avery, W. E. Hall, Deacon S. Selden, and Bro. Stephen Langille.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. M. W. Brown.

TUESDAY MORNING, June 24th.

Meeting opened at 10 o'clock with prayer by Rev. S. B. Kempton.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Report on Missions was again taken up, and after remarks by Rev. E. M. Saunders, was adopted. (See Appendix D.)

Report on Obituaries read by Rev. I. J. Skinner and adopted. (See Appendix E.)

The Committee appointed to nominate Committees for 1880, reported as follows:

COMMITTEES FOR 1880.

On Circular Letter.—Rev. J. L. Read, Bros. Albert Coldwell, and Henry Lovett.

On Denominational Literature.—Revds. S. McCully Black, M. W. Brown, E. O. Read, Bros. A. T. Baker, and Joshua Ells.

On Benevolent Funds.—Revds. David Freeman, Edward Whitman, Bros. Wm. Davidson, Andrew Shaw, and J. S. Witter.

On Education.—Rev. S. B. Kempton, E. M. Saunders, Stephen March, Bros. J. F. Tufts, and Jas. Bligh.

On Missions.—Revds. J. Murray, J. F. Avery, G. N. Ballentine, Geo. Weathers, Bros. C. F. Eaton, A. A. Pineo, and J. P. Lyons.

On Obituaries.—Revds. S. W. DeBlois, Wm. Spencer, Isaiah Wallace, Bros. S. Selden, and W. M. Sanford.

On Sabbath Schools.—Rev. D. O. Parker, Bros. J. W. Barss, Colin W. Roscoe, J. Chip. Archibald, Shubael Dimock.

On Temperance.—Revds. I. J. Skinner, John Williams, Bros. Edward Davidson, Stephen Langille, and T. H. Parker.

Board of Infirm Ministers Fund.—Revds. S. W. DeBlois, S. March, S. B. Kempton, Bros. C. F. Eaton, J. W. Barss, Jas. S. Morse, and Prof. D. F. Higgins.

On Arrangements.—Revds. E. M. Keirstead, Edward Whitman, Bros. Burpe Shaw, Mark Curry, J. O. Redden, A. P. Shand, and W. A. Porter.

Preacher for next year.—Rev. Joseph Murray—Alternate, Rev. J. F. Avery.

To write Circular Letter.—Rev. S. McCully Black.

The Report of Committee on Histories of the churches of the Association was read by Rev. D. Freeman, discusssed by him, Revds. J. F. Avery, S. McC. Black, E. M. Saunders, and Deacon Joshua Ells. Report was adopted. (See Appendix F.)

Committee on printing of Minutes, reported that they were not able to recommend any change in the publishing of the Minutes. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Benevolent Funds was read by Rev. J. Murray. Discussed by Rev. S. B. Kempton, Deacon Ells, Revds. D. Freeman, Dr. Welton, E. M. Saunders, G. N. Ballentine, D. O. Parker, J. Murray, Dea. T. H. Parker, and Rev. J. W. Manning. Report adopted. (See Appendix G.)

Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools, read by Rev. G. N. Ballentine. Discussed by Revds J. W. Manning, E. M. Saunders, Dea. S. Selden, Rev. G. N. Ballentine, Bro. C. Roscoe, Rev. W. E. Hall, D. O. Parker, S. McC. Black, and J. F. Avery. Report adopted. (See Appendix H.)

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Obed Parker.

TUESDAY—Afternoon Session.

Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. W. E. Hall.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Association be tendered to Rev. E. M. Saunders for his timely and instructive sermon preached on Monday morning, under peculiar circumstances, and that he be requested to furnish the substance of it for publication in the Christian Messenger.

Report of Committee on Temperance read by Rev. D. Freeman. Discussed by Revds. D. Freeman, and Dr. Tupper. Report adopted. (See Appendix I.)

Resolved, That Dea. S. Selden, Revds. J. W. Manning, and E. M. Saunders, be a committee on Printing Minutes, and that the usual number of copies of Minutes be printed, and that 50 copies be reserved for next Association.

Resolved, That the Circular Letter be printed in the Minutes, and that the editor of the Christian Messenger be requested to publish it in that paper.

The Report of Committee on Denominational Literature with respect to preparation of a History of a church of the Association, to be read before the body, and printed in the Minutes, was read by Rev. S. McC. Black. Report adopted. (See Appendix J.)

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the Association be given to the friends at Berwick for their kindness in entertaining the delegates during this session.

Report of the Treasurer of Association, read and adopted.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Dr. Tupper, to meet with the church at Windsor on the Saturday following the 20th of June.

D. M. Welton, *Moderator.*
F. D. Crawley, } *Secretaries.*
Sydney Welton, }

Ministers of the N. S. Central Association.

NAME.	Place of residence.	Date of Ordination.	Place of Ordination.
Rev. Avery, J. F.	Halifax	Oct. 20, 1870	Tawstock, G. B.
" Bancroft J.	Walton	March — 1849	Rawdon.
" Ballentine, G. N.	Maitland, Hants	Oct. 3, 1872	Brookfield, Queens Co.
" Black, S. McC., A. B.	Berwick	———, 1878	Berwick.
" Brown, M. W., A. B.	New Germany	July 21, 1876	Ellershouse.
" Chase, John	Wolfville	July 1, 1835	Billtown.
" Cramp, J. M., D. D.	Wolfville	May 7, 1818	London, G. B.
" Crawley, E. A., D. D.	Wolfville	May 28, 1830	Providence, R. I.
" Crawley, F. D., A. B.	Kentville	———, 1876	Pleasantville.
" DeBlois, S. W., A. M.	Wolfville	Feb. 26, 1854	Chester.
" Freeman, D., A. M.	Canning	Aug. 1, 1855	Halifax.
" Ingram, A. E.	Greenfield	.....	N.W.Lunenburg.
" Kempton, S. B., A. M.	Canard	Sept. 15, 1863	New Minas.
" Keirstead, E. M., A. B.	Windsor	Dec. 5, 1876	Yarmouth.
" Lucas, Wallace	Hammonds Plains	.....	Hammonds Plains.
" Manning, J. W., A. B.	Halifax	March —, 1868	Port Hawkesbury, C.B.
" March, Stephen	Canning	July 5, 1856	St. Francis, N. B.
" Meadows, James	Stewiacke	Feb. 26, 1868	Jeddore.
" Miller, John	Halifax	.....	.....
" Murray, J. F., A. B.	Cambridge	Oct. 29, 1856	Guysborough.
" McLeod, Daniel	Kempt	.....	.....
" McGregor, P. S.	New Glasgow	March 22, 1877	Newport.
" McLean, J. A.	Newport	April —, 1874	Pine Grove.
" Parker, D. O., A. M.	Berwick	March 23, 1861	Liverpool.
" Philp, R. R., A. B.	Halifax	Oct. 12, 1856	Margaree, C. B.
" Pineo, D.	Long Point	Dec. 24, 1844	Greenwich.
" Read, E. O	Kingston, Aylesford	Jan. 8, 1858	Gaspereax.
" Read, J. L.	Upper Aylesford	June 30, 1858	Hopewell, N. B.
" Saunders, E. M., A. M.	Halifax	Dec. 15, 1858	Berwick.
" Sawyer, A. W., D. D.	Wolfville	Dec. 27, 1853	Lawrence, Mass.
" Shaw, D. G.	Halifax	Jan. 24, 1860	Falmouth.
" Skinner, I. J., A. B.	Chester	Sept. 19, 1868	Port Medway.
" Spencer, William	Hammonds Plains	———, 1875	New Minas.
" Stevens, James	Gaspereaux	Aug. 4, 1830	Gaspereaux.
" Tupper, Chas. D. D.	Tremont	July 17, 1817	Canard.
" Wallace, Isaiah, A. M.	Wolfville	April 3, 1856	Scotchtown, N. B.
" Welton, D.M., A.M., PhD	Wolfville	Sept. 2, 1857	Windsor.
" Welton, Sydney	Billtown	Sept. 2, 1875	Cumberland Bay, N. B.
" Weathers, George	Kempt	May 12, 1864	Newport.
" Whitman, Edw. A. B.	Huntsport	Aug. 13, 1872	Lockport.
" Williams, John	Mahone Bay	Jan. —, 1862	Centreville, N. B.

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Berwick,—Charles Norwood.
Billtown,—Arthur Roscoe,
Canard,—John Duncanson.
Falmouth,—Charles Bishop ; Stewart Masters.
Gaspereaux,—E. P. Coldwell, A. B. ; B. W. Lockhart, A. B.
Lunenburg,—H. E. S. Maider ; Caleb Spiddle.
Hammonds Plains,—Christopher Haverstock.
Windsor,—Edward R. Curry ; J. C. Redden, A. B.
Halifax, North,—J. C. Archibald.
Lower Aylesford,—W. H. Robinson, A. B.
Newport,—Enoch Sweet.
1st Horton,—A. Freeman, A. B. ; A. Armstrong, A. B.

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CIRCULAR LETTER.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE CHURCHES.

THE CIRCULAR LETTER FROM THE NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO THE CHURCHES OF WHICH IT IS COMPOSED.

ear Brethren,—

We are glad to know from your letters sent to this body, and om general report, that a good degree of harmony and fellowship ists among the members of the different churches. How sweet nd pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. To ehold churches, consisting in many cases of hundreds of members, ch differing from the rest in circumstances, in knowledge, in age, experience, to behold these united in such tender bonds of symthy, forbearance and mutual aid, to see them laboring heartily for e same cause, and voluntarily sharing common burdens, this surely an encouraging prospect. Such a church bears upon it "the gnature and stamp of power divine," is a tower of strength to the eak in faith, a rebuke to the despondent and sceptical. Long may ch union exist among the members of our beloved churches, long ay there be among them the fellowship of the spirit and the bonds peace.

But brethren there is a wider fellowship of which we would speak this letter, a unity not only of the members of each Church, but each church with all the other churches, a sympathy and co-operion of every member of every church with all the members of all e other churches.

In speaking of this fellowship of the churches we must not be nderstood as forgetting, even for the time, that each church is rictly independent as to rights and privileges and can be controlled no power on earth outside of itself. The New Testament gives no example of any external authority dictating to the churches or aiming to control their proceedings, and the Spirit of the Gospel eems to agree with this spirit of independence. Our denomination aving learned this truth from the Word of God, and by too bitter xperience will not soon forget it. Certainly no interference with would be tolerated to-day. But independence is not the whole our polity, we are not merely "an aggregation of unrelated units." ndependence, as has been said, "is not isolation, in churches any ore than in families or towns." Surely Baptist Churches have ore intimate connection with each other than a Baptist Church nd one of another denomination. We feel that there is a bond niting us. This Association itself is a proof of this bond, for while recognizes and insists upon the law of independence it partially mbodies the principle of fellowship. It does not create the fellowip but is one of the results of the unity which already exists.

While churches of other denominations are united by external authority, as of Bishops, or Synods, or Conferences we feel that our union in sympathy, doctrine and work ought to be as complete at least, as that of any body of Christians, that being entirely voluntary it may be intelligent and real.

This fellowship of the Churches has its origin in the nature of the new life. Because we have been born "not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God," we have fellowship one with another, are one in Christ, one in God. It is love to our Lord which binds Churches as well as individual disciples together.

This unity of nature as new creatures in Christ is supplemented and in great part completed by unity of belief. Because we have "one Lord, one faith, one baptism," we are drawn together and into deeper fellowship than we can have with many regenerate persons who differ from us in doctrine. Having believed in Christ our people have been brought together, because they believed baptism to be "the immersion of believers and that the second ordinance should follow the first." We have also that fellowship which comes from unselfish endeavors for the most worthy aims, the perfecting of the saints and the salvation of men. Surely the union that comes from possessing the same spirit, from holding the same views of divine truth, and from earnest labor for the same cause must be very real and strong.

We would then urge you brethren to cherish these bonds of fellowship. Our Lord not only loves us as individual disciples, but as a united body, and surely not only as single churches but as that one church for which He gave Himself. If we are one in our Lord's mind we may well remember the unity.

This fellowship will enable each Church to rejoice with others in their prosperity. Some of our Churches have had the privilege of recording in their reports to us the abundant blessings of God received in the past year while others lament their low spiritual state. But if we are really one in our Lord then the joy of one must be the joy of all, blessings conferred upon one must have the response of gratitude from all.

This fellowship not only confers privileges, but involves duties. And among these we would mention: First. *The duty of preserving and increasing the fellowship itself.* If this fellowship is a part of our polity as churches of Christ, then we must remember and cherish it. It would seem that we ought to be all the more careful to hold it sacred because there is no external authority to enforce it. This union is promoted by unity of belief, and we must therefore aim to be united in believing the truth as it is in Jesus. We have attained to a good degree of unity of doctrine already. Indeed it is probable that Baptist Churches are more nearly one in this respect than many churches claiming more complete agreement because of the existence of external bonds. But we would ever remember that we are out only to be united, but united in the truth

We must attain this unity by devout study of that one Book which reveals the *One mind*. Though you have been often reminded, brethren, in these Circular Letters of the importance of scriptural study on the part of the entire membership of the Churches, we would venture thus to allude to it once more. Because our Churches are free we must all possess that freedom which the truth gives if we would have fullest feliowship.

Secondly. Churches should cherish a high regard for each others welfare and discipline.

Care should be taken in receiving persons who have been excluded, or who have withdrawn from other Churches. No church should give a Letter of dismission to one who would not be retained in that church without discipline. Nor should a church allow its members to walk disorderly while living among other churches any more than it would tolerate such conduct in resident members. Again, it is safe to say that many of the large number of non-resident members reported by our Churches reside in the vicinity of other Baptist Churches. These members should be urged to join those churches. Indeed such a view of the unity and fellowship of the churches should exist that in becoming connected with us persons would understand they were joining not simply one Church, but the entire denomination. It would then not be so difficult to persuade many to change their membership, while the fellowship of the Churches would be increased.

Thirdly. Our fellowship should be so real that when a church has been received it would not be allowed to suffer for want of the help other churhches are able to give. But we fear there are churches in our Association and certainly in our Province which ought to receive more support from the united body. If one of these small churches were placed between two strong ones they would not allow it to die, but when removed fifty or a hundred miles obligation to it is forgotten.

Fourthy. This fellowship should lead to hearty co-operation in efforts for objects of common interest and duty. While there is no absolute certainty that the voice of the majority is right it is well for us to abide by the general wish and prove our fellowship sincere. We should endeavour not only to preserve our independence but to show loyalty to the body whose interests are ours.

Thus united by faith and sympathy and combined in action we shall come not only to fuller fellowship with each other but with God. We may say with John, "These things we write unto you that you may have fellowship with us, and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ."

APPENDIX.

(A)

Report of Committee on Education.

Your Committee beg leave to report, That both Acadia College and Horton Collegiate Academy are in a healthy growing condition. The number of students in the former during the year past has been seventy-three; in the latter one hundred and nineteen; sixty-two in the male Department and fifty-seven in the female. The increase of the number in the College is matter for congratulation. The diminution of the number in the Academy is to be attributed to the want of suitable accommodations rather than to any decline of interest on the part of the people.

The new College Building was formally opened on the 4th inst. On the evening of that day the closing exercises of the Academy were held, when four young ladies having successfully passed through the prescribed course of study received certificates of proficiency. The Anniversary of the College was held on the fifth inst. Thirteen young men received the Degree of Bachelor in Arts of whom four have the ministry in view.

The Seminary erected for the use of the Female Department of the Academy and also the new College Building will be fully completed and equipped before the beginning of the next term.

As the contract expires on the first day of July next and large liabilities will be incurred by the Board of Governors, it is absolutely necessary that all subscriptions to the Building Fund be paid before that time, or a heavy debt will rest upon our Institutions.

The Theological Department has been in operation during the year past with a fair degree of success.

Some modifications in the plan of said Department are in contemplation by the Board, which it is hoped will be satisfactory to the churches.

All which is respectfully submitted.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, *Chairman.*

Berwick, N. S., June 24, 1879.

(B)

Report on Denominational Literature.

Your Committee on Denominational Literature would urge upon the members of our churches the importance of supplying themselves, their families, and Sabbath Schools with suitable reading matter. The future members of our churches will be largely influenced by the character of the books which are read by them

in their earlier years. And we would earnestly recommend the placing of more substantial and useful works in the hands of our inexperienced youth, than those which are commonly sought by them. Many such works may now be obtained, written in a pleasing style, which if carefully perused may be expected to exert a healthful influence upon the generation to come, inculcating high-toned morality, and furnishing noble examples of the value of persistent, well directed effort in the earnest, pious, labors and lives of many "who being dead, yet speak."

Your Committee would bring to the notice of this Association the importance of circulating more widely our denominational newspapers and periodicals; and strongly urge the propriety of establishing a Book-room in some central locality at an early day.

Your Committee would repeat the recommendation of former years in respect to the *Christian Messenger*, that it may be placed in every Baptist family, as supplying information concerning our churches and denomination, which can be obtained in no other way. An increase in its circulation would assist the editor in placing it in the foremost rank of religious periodicals.

Your Committee have been gratified to observe that numerous valuable original articles have been contributed to its columns during the year from many sources, upon questions of vital concern to all christians.

Respectfully submitted,

S. March, *Chairman.*

(C)

Infirm Ministers' Fund in account with C. F. Eaton, Trea.

INTEREST TO JUNE 1ST 1878.

		Dr.	Days.	Interest	Amount.
1879.					
Feb.	4.	To mailed S. Selden for Bro. Crawley	117	0 15	$8 00
May	6.	" paid Rev. S. Morton, (cash)	26	0 10	25 00
June	1.	" Amount of interest to date	.....		0 25
				0 25	1,231 69
June	1.	" balance to new account	.....	.....	1,264 94
1878.		Cr.			
June	1.	By balance per account rendered	365	63 78	1,068 20
June	25.	" amount received of Central Baptist Association at Canard	341	4 65	82 63
1879.					
June	1.	" 1 years interest on the Jacobs' legacy	.....	.....	39 00
June	1.	" " " Harris' "	.....	.....	11 68
					68 43
June	1.	" Amount of interest to date	.....	68 43	1,264 94
1879.					
June	1.	By balance brought down	.....	.....	$1,231 69

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C. F. Eaton,
Treasurer Infirm Ministers Board.

Lower Canard, June 21st, 1879.

(D)

Report of Committee on Missions.

The Committee on Missions beg leave to report, that the attention of this Association at its session, held in this place, seven years ago, was engaged in considering and carrying to perfection an union of the various Home Missionary Societies then existing in this province. But the formation of the Missionary Union was not the end of arrangements under the new policy. Plans were soon proposed for union on a larger scale. This scheme, so far as Nova Scotia and P. E. Island are concerned, was carried into effect at the meeting of the Home Missionary Union recently held at Hebron. The home work has been transferred to the Provisional Board, appointed by the Convention. Thus the matter of union has gone forward, step by step, till the work of the Convention has assumed its natural fullness and completion. By these changes we have returned to the "old paths." The maritime provinces was the mission field of the fathers. It is now our mission field; and from it loud appeals are heard, to foster weak churches, and to give the gospel to the neglected. Here we have an opportunity to do a great work. Let the zeal and strength, now given to Home Missions in the several provinces, be united in the common cause, and great enlargement will be the result.

From the reports of the Home Missionary Union, we learn that during the past year 35 labourers have been employed; 123 stations occupied; 101 converts baptized, and about $3,200 collected and expended. An additional French Missionary is to be employed.

From this department of our work we turn to that of our Mission to the heathen. This too we have in the last will and testament of the departed. They embarked in it, in obedience to the great commission of our ascended Lord. In addition to the "marching orders," we have the solemn charges of those who have put off the armour. The experience through which they have passed, and into which we have entered, is marked by the special and instructive providences of God. The Apostolic Mission of the Great Judson and his heroic wives touched the hearts of our fathers and mothers, and enlisted their sympathies in the mission to the Buddhists and Karens of Burmah. For more than a half century our prayers, our money, and our missionaries have been consecrated to these people. But the dependent relation which we stood to the Baptists in the States, was at last brought to an end; and we, as we trust by Divine direction, assumed the grave responsibility of a separate and independent Mission. We closed our work among the followers of Buddha, crossed the Bay of Bengal and pitched our tents among the Brahmans. God gave us the northern district of the land of the Teloogoos. Our mission is now to this interesting branch of the Hindoo people. We are fully committed to the work of giving the gospel to them. The great commission binds

us to the enterprise. When every other door was shut, this one was opened by the hand of providence; and when we had entered in, it was closed behind us. There is no open way for retreat. If we should plead discouragement, the dealings of God with our brethren in the Southern part of the same field, would rebuke us. They sowed in tears, and have reaped in joy. They went forth bearing precious seed, and have returned, bearing their sheaves with them. The "Lone Star Mission" is a light in which we can walk.

But we have direct success in our own work. God has given us a most devoted company of Missionaries. There is not one of them whose zeal and devotedness can be doubted. We may say of them all, zeal for the Lord consumes them. God has mercifully preserved their lives and has in a measure restored the health which was taken away. The fruits of their labours, already gathered, are pledges of a great, and glorious harvest. During the past few years God has turned to himself a great company of this people in the field occupied by our brethren in the States. Since we last met about ten thousand have been baptized. This success strengthens our hopes and confirms our faith. We shall look for large harvests in the field now occupied by our Missionaries.

During the past year Miss Hammond has joined the Mission, and is now doing successful work. Mrs. Armstrong, on account of extreme illness, resolved to return home, but her health was so far restored that she decided to defer her visit for the present. We are called upon to thank God and take courage.

As we have now entered into a wide missionary field at home, and as the establishing of our mission in the East, will increase our expenses the calls upon our benevolence are becoming more and more pressing. Every member of the Baptist body should now come forward and give generously to our mission funds.

E. M. Saunders, *Chairman.*

(E)

Report of Committee on Obituaries

It is with deep regret that your Committee have to record the removal by death of one of our most promising Brethren in the ministry during the past year. The following items in reference to this lamented Brother are gathered from his published Obituary in the *Christian Messenger* of August 21st, by Rev. E. O. Read.

Rev. S. Johnson Neily, son of Dea. Jacob Neily of Meadowvale, died at Tremont, Aylesford, Aug. 12, 1878, aged 34 years. He was baptized at the early age of 15 years by the Rev. Dr. Tupper, who, though bending under the weight of more then four score years is still among us. In 1871 Bro. Neily graduated at Acadia College and was ordained as Pastor of the North Sydney

Church in September of the same year. At the expiration of one year, failing health compelled him to resign his charge much to the regret of both pastor and people. After resting and travelling some time in the Southern States, having partially regained his health, he became pastor of the Church at Canning where, by his deep-toned piety and faithful labors he won the esteem and affection of the church and of the community generally. Again after the lapse of three years disease obliged him to cease from his loved employment, and seek rest and recreation. With this end in view he spent a winter in Lawrence, Kansas, from whence he returned to close his eyes in death among his friends in his native home. During the short period of our Brother's ministry, the young of his congregation occupied a large share of his attention. He had the rare and happy faculty of adapting himself to the youthful capacity, consequently his influence with that class was very great and beneficial.

Bro. Read very justly and appropriately says of him: "His Christian life was characterized by a firm *trust* in Christ. In the bright sunshine of life, and in the day of adversity, his faith was an anchor to the soul, it never failed. His gifts as a minister were of a peculiar type. There was richness of thought, marked with originality, and presented in a peculiarly sweet and comforting style, which rendered all his public ministrations attractive and profitable to God's people. His godly life was a lesson to all, and the influence exerted in the community was powerful for good." Being one of the "Sweet Singers of Israel," genial and sympathising in his nature, he was a favourite everywhere in the family circle, in the school, employed as teacher, in the church as pastor and among his brethren as a minister, he gained the confidence and love of all. His early removal from the work he loved so well and for which he was so well qualified, is one of the secret things yet to be revealed. Jesus says, "What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter." Our work is not perhaps, measured so accurately by the length of time employed, as by the manner in which it is performed. Our brother did much in a short time."

In view of the early removal of this valued brother from the scenes of his earthly labors, ofter having full proof of his ministry, and especially when the whitened harvest fields, stretching far and wide in every direction call so loudly for just such earnest and devoted workers, your Committee are led to exclaim, How wonderfully mysterious are the ways and doings of the Almighty. "How unsearchable are his judgments and his ways past finding out." How forcibly we are reminded of those sublime words of the prophet Isaiah "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways saith the Lord. For as the Heaven is higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." It is for us patiently and humbly to acquiesce in his will and wait for future development of those things which now appear to us so dark and mysterious.

The following was furnished for this report by the Rev. David Freeman :—

SISTER SUSAN MORSE PARKER, relict of the late Dea. Abel Parker of Berwick, was called home, Nov. 4, 1878, aged 80 years. In youth she enjoyed the religious instruction of Rev. Handly Chipman, was baptized by him in Nictaux, and through life was an exemplary member of the Baptist Church. Fifty-two years ago she with her husband removed to Western Cornwallis, as pioneers in the wilderness and in 1828 became an original member of the Second Cornwallis Church, and so continued till her removal to the church in glory.

She was pre-eminently a "keeper at home." For many years both before and after the rise of the village of Berwick, though burdened with the care of a large family, she with untiring devotion and patience gave a cordial and gratuitous welcome, day and night, to travellers of all classes. But she especially loved "the ministry of the saints," and Christians of every name, found in her home a hospitable reception. She particularly delighted to entertain, the Baptist ministerial fathers, the agents, professors, students, and founders of Acadia College and often expressed her high gratification at the good influence of such guests over the members of her family. Her natural benevolence and unselfishness were heightened by divine grace, and tempered by wisdom they shone in all her relations of life, in her family, in society, and in the church of God. "Many daughters have done virtuously but thou excellest them all." Numbers outside of our Association will gratefully endorse this tribute to her memory.

Respectfully Submitted,

I. J. SKINNER, *Chairman.*

(F)

Report of Committee on History of the Churches.

The Committee on Questions in Letters, on procuring "a brief history of each church" in the Association: Recommend, That such a history of the oldest church in this Association, the history of which is not already extant, and long enough to fill from one to two or at most three pages in the Minutes, be procured to be read at the Association in Windsor, 1880, and printed in the Minutes of that year. That such a history of the next oldest church be procured for the year following, 1881, and so on each year in succession till historical sketches of all the churches shall be obtained. And that the carrying out of this arrangement be entrusted to the Committee on Denominational Literature.

(G)

Report of Committee on Benevolent Funds.

Your Committee on Benevolent Funds report that they regard it as useless to say, "The times are hard," for that is apparent. That all departments of christian effort are being paralyzed by a lack of funds, for that too is apparent. That the churches in general are far from the Apostolic rule for giving, and therefore have taken a departure in this respect from the New Testament christians, for this also is painfully apparent. They cannot even report the denomination poorer than when the Apostle gave them the divine plan for supporting God's cause as found in 1 Cor. xvi. 2. For they are of the opinion that there is much more of wealth in the possession of God's people now than then, and they may add costly luxuries and expensive habits. But the cause of this lack is found in not realizing their indebtedness to God. They do not adequately appreciate the sacrifice made by Christ who though rich became poor that they might be rich. There have been magnificent schemes launched, but, as in many other places, they have been magnificent failures. Simply because they have been left to move alone. Few being found in our churches willing to perform the labor necessary to their success, and bear the cold indifference or open opposition with which such efforts are too frequently met.

But until the churches are awakened to their responsibility to God, the streams of benevolence will run low. Training is necessary, and if successfully performed must be commenced in the family, every member of which should be permitted to subscribe to the support of God's cause, and assisted in carrying out their engagements. By so doing in a few years we shall have a trained church.

Your Committee would gratefully record the liberality of the brethren in contributing to the rebuilding of Acadia College, but the past will not suffice. God's mercies come to us daily, so should our returns be made to him. The Building Committee of the College and Ladies Seminary are greatly in need of funds!

Our Home and Foreign Mission Boards are also under a great financial pressure.

But there is one department of christian benevolence which we would urge upon the attention of our churches, viz., the importance of caring for such of their members as are in reduced circumstances. This was the first care of the New Testament christians. For them the apostle urges collections. Your Committee would suggest that a fund be supported in each church, and placed at the disposal of the pastor or some wise brother who will, so far as possible relieve such cases as come under his notice. But while we begin at home with our prayers, sympathies and almsdeeds they should extend as far as Christ's commission will carry them.

Signed,

J. MURRAY, *Chairman.*

(H)

Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools.

Your Committee are of opinion that the Sunday School is a mighty agency for good, that the blessing of God upon this Institution in the past calls for devout thanksgiving.

Your Committee notice with gratification that most of those who are brought to Christ in youth have received lasting impressions in the Sunday School. Your Committee feel that it is all-important that all—both old and young—should be well taught in the great doctrines of Divine Truth, and that the Sunday School is one of the most useful means, whereby such instruction may be imparted. Your Committee would recommend that Pastors and church members should feel the importance of having the whole church engaged in Sunday School work, thus rendering this agency for usefulness still more effective.

Every Christian should seek to do something—yea much—for the Master, and in the Sunday School the youngest as well as the eldest may find much to do. By heeding the Saviour's injunction, "Feed my sheep,—Feed my lambs, and, Learn of me," Sunday School Teachers and Scholars particularly may honor Christ in their growth in the knowledge of Him.

Your Committee would recommend that in every case the Sunday School should be under the watch-care and supervision of the church, and that to secure a more general interest in Sunday School work on the part of the whole Association, your Committee would recommend that complete statistical information be presented to this Association, and that more time be given to the consideration of Sunday School work, recommending that at least one sitting be devoted to the discussion of this very important subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. N. Ballentine, *Chairman.*

(I)

Report of Committee on Temperance.

Baptists have been pioneers in promoting the cause of temperance throughout the christian world, in Nova Scotia, and especially in this township of Cornwallis. In the early history of the temperance reform, Revds. Edward Manning and Wm. Chipman gave their powerful support to this movement, and placed the Baptists in the front rank of the great temperance army. Other Baptist ministers and brethren almost without exception, early allied themselves with this enterprise. Not without cause has this subject occupied the attention of our Association. Your Committee would earnestly recommend *to our people,* to use every legitimate effort to banish intemperance from our land ; *to our churches* that every scriptural measure be adopted to put away the very appear-

ance of this evil from among them, by using at the Lord's Supper the unintoxicating "fruit of the vine" which we have reason to believe was used by the Saviour at the institution of this ordinance, so that a stumbling-block may be removed from the reformed and weak; by encouraging church members in total abstinence principles, and by wisely guarding against the admission of such persons into the churches, as do not in this respect wish to live *soberly*, righteously and godly in this present evil world.

Your Committee would also suggest to the friends of Acadia College and especially those residing in the vicinity therof, that every possible effort should be prayerfully made to keep the neighbourhood of our institution of learning entirely free from the temptations of strong drink, which might ensnare our youth, who in growing numbers resort to Wolfville for purposes of study.

D. FREEMAN, *Secretary.*

(J)

On Preparing Histories of Churches.

The Committee on Denominational Literature in regard to the matter of publishing in the Minutes of the Association a short history of each church, year by year, commencing with the oldest church in the Association—report that by reference to the Minutes they find that the 1st Horton Church stands first in regard to date, having been organized in the year 1778, and that the Committee recommend that the pastor of said church, the Revd. S. W. DeBlois be requested to prepare a short history of the church to be presented at the meeting of Association in Windsor—to embrace especially in connection with a full statistical report, the date and duration of the several pastorates with the names of pastors, also what, if any other churches have sprung from that church as a parent stock, with the names of ordained and licensed ministers who have gone out from the church, with whatever facts may suggest themselves as most valuable considered as historical data.

In behalf of Committee,

S. McC. BLACK.

Moneys reported by Churches appropriated during the Year.

Churches.	Home Missions.	French Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Acadia College.	Infirm Ministers.	Total.
Aylesford Upper	8 00	$5 50	$36 50	.....	.....	.....	$50 00
Aylesford Lower	9 35	3 25	11 25	.....	.....	$0 65	24 80
Bridgewater	4 00	.....	3 00	.....	$0 36	.....	7 36
Cambridge	3 10	1 00	3 00	.....	3 05	.....	10 15
Canning	7 02	0 50	7 25	2 50	1 50	5 25	24 02
Chelsea	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Chester	22 85	5 87	19 59	4 57	7 83	4 60	65 31
Cornwallis 1st	42 70	6 88	22 55	4 30	25 00	4 00	105 43
" 2nd	17 35	0 50	28 20	1 00	0 50	4 00	51 55
" 3rd	19 45	5 63	36 52	4 45	3 14	2 25	71 41
" 4th	1 00	2 14	7 00	.....	.....	.....	10 14
" 5th	5 95	0 75	1 00	.....	.....	1 15	8 85
Falmouth	3 00	.....	5 00	2 00	10 00	2 29	22 29
Fall River	2 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 28
Halifax 1st, Granville St Church	56 80	28 65	109 31	12 25	.....	26 00	233 01
Halifax 2nd, North Church	19 90	6 20	21 26	.....	14 23	11 73	73 32
Halifax 3rd, Tabernacle	3 43	.....	22 00	.....	5 00	5 00	33 43
Hammond's Plains 1st	6 00	1 45	4 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	16 45
Hammond's Plains 2nd	6 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	8 00
Hantsport	15 45	2 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	25 45
Horton 3rd	2 30	.....	4 70	.....	.....	.....	7 00
Indian Harbor	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Kempt	2 39	1 40	2 37	2 23	9 00	1 40	18 79
Kentville	14 00	0 50	.....	.....	.....	2 00	16 50
LaHave	5 00	.....	3 50	.....	.....	.....	8 50
New Cornwall	.....	.....	7 50	.....	.....	.....	7 50
New Germany	7 10	8 05	7 62	.....	3 70	0 58	27 05
New Ross	.....	.....	7 34	.....	.....	.....	7 34
Sackville	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	2 00	7 00
St. Margaret's Bay 2nd	4 25	0 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 50
Windsor	.....	.....	.....	7 54	20 00	7 54	35 08
Windsor Plains	0 70	.....	0 76	.....	0 60	.....	2 00
Collections at Associations	44 38	.....	0 32	.....	.....	.....	44 70
	$341 75	$80 52	$389 83	$41 84	106 91	$81 51	$1037 29
Paid minutes, postage, letters, &c	24 80	5 84	27 86	.....	.....	.....	58 50
	$316 95	$74 68	$356 97	$41 84	106 01	$81 51	$978 79

Statistics of the Churches in the N. S. Central Association, held in Berwick, King's Co., June, 1879.

Name of Church.	Date of Organization.	Pastors' Name.	Year of Settlement.	Clerk, and P. O. Address.	Increase. By Baptism.	Increase. By Letter.	Increase. By Statement.	Increase. Restoration.	Decrease. Dismission.	Decrease. Exclusion.	Decrease. By Death.	Resident Members.	Non-resident M'bra.	Total Membership.
1 Aylesford Upper	1846	Rev. J. L. Read	1850	Whitman Morton, Aylesford	2	1			1		2			293
2 Bridgewater	1837			Rufus A. Newcomb	9			1	3			97	23	120
3 Brooklyn**														96
4 Cambridge	1874	Rev. Joseph Murray	1877	Jas. Craig, Woodville	16	49						187	20	207
5 Chelsea	1853			Wm. Faulkner, Chelsea								85	41	126
6 Chester	1811	Rev. I. J. Skinner	1861	Geo. E. DeWitt, M. D., Chester	4	2		1			5	274	35	309
7 Cornwallis 1st—Canard	1809	Rev. S. B. Kempton	1865	Otis Eaton, Centerville	5	4			3	2	10	203		374
8 " 2nd—Berwick	1828	Rev. S. McC. Black		T. H. Parker, Berwick	6	4			92		11	341	66	407
9 " 3rd—Billtown	1835	Rev. Sydney Welton	1878	C. B. Lamont, Billtown	6	3		1	2		4	399	73	472
10 " 4th—Long Point**														175
11 " 5th—Pereaux	1861	Rev. S. March	1877	W iter M. Sandford, Upper Pereaux	6	1			1	5		131	40	171
12 " 6th—Canning	1870	Rev. S. March	1877	R. D. G. Harris, Canning					3		1			85
13 Dartmouth*														77
14 Ellershouse	1872	Rev. M. W. Brown	1876	T. G. Dunlap, Ellershouse					7			27	9	36
15 Falmouth	1843			Andrew Shaw, Falmouth						1	1	104	21	125
16 Fall River***														15
17 Halifax 1st—Granville Street	1827	Rev. E. M. Saunders	186[illegible]	B. H. Eaton, Halifax	2		1		1		2	204	20	224
18 " 2nd—North	1848	Rev. J. W. Manning	1875	Dr. H. P. Clay, Halifax	30	2	1		3			266	50	256
19 " 3rd Tabernacle	1874	Rev. J. F. Avery	1874	T. A. Covey, 154 Upper Water Street	19	3	1		1	11	1	198	30	228
20 Hammonds Plains 1st	1842	Rev. W. Spencer	1877	Amos Bezanson, Hammonds Plains					1		1	87	11	98
21 " " 2nd	1873	Rev. Wallace Lucas		Jas. Allison, Hammonds Plains	1			2		2				47
22 Horton 1st—Wolfville	1830	Rev. Edward Whitman	1878	J. Margeson, Hantsport										
24 " 2nd—Gaspereaux	1778	Rev. S. W. DeBlois	1855	Burpe Witter, Wolfville	4 13	1			7 16	6	8 1	282	62 44	327 326
25 " 3rd—New Minas														442
26 Indian Harbor West	1856			W. H. Seaman, New Minas										
27 Jeddore	1843	Rev. W. Spencer	1879	Benj. Covey, Indian Harbor										

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23 " 2nd—Gaspereaux	1778	Rev. S. W. DeBlois	1855	Burpe Witter, Wolfville	13				16		1	282	44		442
24 " 3rd—New Minas	1856										1				182
25 Indian Harbor West	1843	Rev. W. Spencer	1879	W. H. Seaman, New Minas						2		67	33		100
26 Jeddore		Rev. Jas. Meadows	1868	Benj. Covey, Indian Harbor West	2		1			2	1	118	5		123
27 Kempt, Hants Co	1842	Rev. Geo. Weathers		Enos Baker, Jeddore East	11	2				11	2	150	4		154
28 Kentville	1874	Rev. F. D. Crawley	1879	Jos. D. Marsters, Summerville, Hants Co.							1	123			123
29 LaHave				Henry Lovett, Kentville							1	65	2		57
30 Lower Aylesford	1829	Rev. E. O. Read	1876	James W. Falt					5		2	395	39		434
31 Lunenburg	1809	Rev. J. Williams	1875	L. S. Tufts, Kingston Station	14	1				3		171	20		191
32 Maitland	1864	Rev. G. N. Ballantine	1878	Jos. Ham, Mahone Bay	7	2	1					29	8		37
33 Musquodoboit ***				D. L. McCurdy, Maitland											12
34 New Cornwall	1856	Rev. J. Williams			1			2			1	59	1		60
35 New Germany	1842	Rev. M. W. Brown	1879	John Spidle, New Cornwall		2				1	3	206	20		226
36 Newport	1799	Rev. J. A. McLean	1879	Adam E. Durland, New Germany		2			3		1	106	21		226
37 New Ross	1831			Jas. Robinson, Woodville, Newport	10				1	1		48	10		58
38 Preston 1st*				G. W. Lantz, New Ross, Lunenburg Co.											29
39 Preston 2nd***															12
40 Pleasantville*															68
41 Rawdon	1824			John McLearn, South Rawdon		1			1		1	94	30		123
42 Sackville				F. Webber, Sackville											38
43 St. Margarets Bay 1st															97
44 " 2nd	1872	Rev. Wm. Spencer	1876	G. B. Hubley, Black Point, Margarets Bay	1						1	55	22		77
45 Tancook	1855			Caleb Hisler, Tancook	2						1	93			98
46 Walton		Rev. J. Bancroft		Francis Parker, Walton											19
47 Waterville	1858			Daniel Beach, Waterville	3					1	2	45	3		48
48 Windsor	1818	Rev. E. M. Kierstead	1877	Edgar D. Shand, Windsor	2	3			2	4	1	287	73		360
49 Windsor Plains				William Pelote	1				1		1	18	5		23
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*No letter.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Nova Scotia Central Baptist Association.

ARTICLE 1st.—This Association shall consist of Delegates representing the Churches of which it is composed, each of whom shall be a member of one of those Churches, together with Delegates from Corresponding Associations, not exceeding five from any one Association, and such other brethren present as the Association may see fit to invite to sit in Council.

ART. 2nd.—This Association shall meet at such time and place as may be agreed upon by the body.

ART. 3rd.—Each Church shall have the privilege of sending one Delegate or more, but no Church shall be entitled to send more than five in addition to their Pastor.

ART. 4th.—At each meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceeding year shall preside till his successor is chosen. The choice of Moderator shall take place by ballot, as soon as a list of Delegates has been prepared, as hereinafter provided. No brother shall be chosen Moderator two years in succession. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside in all the transactions, maintain due order, and nominate Committees, unless otherwise ordered by the Association. A Secretary shall be chosen, whose duty it shall be to record the transactions of the Association, and to furnish a correct copy of the same for the press; he is also to remain in office till his successor is chosen.

ART. 5th.—It shall be the duty of each Church to send by its messengers a letter to the Association giving an account of its state, particularly of the additions and diminutions within the last year and generally of whatsoever relates to its peace and prosperity.

ART. 6th.—At each annual Meeting the letters from the Churches shall be first handed in, from which the Secretary shall immediately make out a list of Delegates. The election of Moderator and Secretary shall then take place after which the letters shall be read. Committees nominated by the Moderator shall not consist of more than five brethren, of whom three shall constitute a quorum. When large committees are judged desirable they shall be appointed by the Association, and two-thirds of the members appointed shall be competent to act.

ART. 7th.—When any Church shall desire admittance into this body, application must be made by letter, and satisfactory evidence furnished of its faith and order; this being done and a vote of acceptance taken, the Moderator shall, in behalf of the Association, give to one of its messengers present the right hand of fellowship.

ART. 8th.—When any Church shall neglect to make communication for three years successively it shall be considered as having withdrawn from us and shall be dropped from the Minutes, unless two or more members shall request its continuance and shall engage to enquire into its standing, and report at the next meeting of the Association.

ART. 9th.—Although as an Association all power over the Churches is disclaimed, so far as respects any interference with their independence and discipline; yet it is deemed a privilege belonging to the Association to judge for itself of the propriety of receiving or retaining any Church in its connexion.

ART. 10th.—The religious sentiments of this body are those expressed in the "Articles of the Faith and Practice of the Baptist Churches in Nova Scotia."

ART. 11th.—That the Moderator be authorized at any time during the year, to call a special meeting of the Association in pursuance of a requisition signed by ten members thereof.

ART. 12th —Alterations and amendments may be made to this Constitution by a vote of two.thirds of the members present at any of its regular meetings.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1st.—At every sitting, business shall be opened and closed with prayer; and immediately after opening, the Minutes of the preceding meeting shall be read and corrected.

RULE 2nd.—No member of the Association shall leave the Session before the business is concluded, without permission of the Association.

RULE 3rd.—No subject shall be discussed without a motion first made and seconded.

RULE 4.—No person shall speak oftener than twice on the same subject unless by permission of the body.

RULE 5th.—Brethren invited to a seat with us may speak on all subjects under consideration, but vote on none.

RULE 6th—All resolutions shall be presented in writing.

RULE 7th.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes, except so ordered at the time.

RULE 8th.—These rules shall be distinctly read from the Chair at the opening of the Session.

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BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

CONSTITUTION.

1.—The consolidation of our Home Missionary organizations, both English and French, would, in the estimation of this Convention, tend to the more rapid advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom in this Province;—the French Mission to be considered a separate Department, and all gifts, bequests, &c., made to the French Mission to go to that Department.

2.—This Convention shall be called the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union.

3.—The object of this Union shall be to promote the spread of the gospel throughout the Provinces of Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, and the Island of Newfoundland, the fostering of feeble churches, the planting of new ones, and the dissemination of denominational literature.

4.—This Union shall be composed of ordained Baptist ministers in good standing with their respective churches in the Province, and delegates appointed by the churches, each church in good standing with its respective Association sending not more than three delegates; together with the President of Acadia College, the Principal of the Theological Institute, and the Principal of Horton Academy, the same being members of Baptist Churches in good standing.

5.—The officers of the Union shall be a President, who shall be elected annually by ballot; four Vice-Presidents, one from each Association, two Secretaries, and an Auditor, all of whom shall be appointed by open vote.

6.—The Union shall annually appoint and locate an Executive Board of thirteen suitable men, seven of whom shall form a quorum; and every Baptist pastor in the Province shall have the privilege of meeting with the Board, and taking part in its deliberations, but not voting; the officers of the Society named above to be ex-officio members of the Board.

7.—The duty of this Board shall be to conduct the Missionary work of the Union, and report yearly to the same, or oftener if required.

8.—There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Union, held in each of the Nova Scotia Baptist Associations in turn, to assemble the day previous to the meeting of the Association with which it is held, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

9.—This Union shall appoint annually a Board of Directors to consist of eight from each Association composing the Union, whose duty it shall be to give advice to the Executive Board in cases of emergency, and by the written requisition of eight or more of whom, the President shall call a special meeting of the Union.

10.—No alteration of this Constitution shall be made unless by a two-third affirmative vote of the members present at an annual meeting.

MINUTES

OF THE

N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Union.

HEBRON, YARMOUTH CO., June 13th, 1879.

The Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union met in its Seventh Annual Session at Hebron under date as above.

Vice-President Rev. J. H. Saunders called the meeting to order. Prayer was offered by Rev. John Brown.

Brethren W. H. Warren and B. W. Lockhart were appointed as Secretaries.

The following is a list of

DELEGATES.

Annapolis Royal—Rev. T. A. Higgins, Dea. J. Healey, and Bro. Dimock Whitman.

Arcadia—Rev. A. H. Lavers.

Beaver River—Deacons W. H. Goudey and R. C. Raymond, with Bro. David Crosby.

Bridgetown—Rev. W. H. Warren, with Brethren Wallace Young and Ansley Brown.

French Mission—Rev. M. Normonday.

Forest Glen—Bro. Z. C. Vickery, lic.

Hebron—Dea. W. R. Doty, with Brethren H. H. Crosby and James Crosby.

Lawrencetown—Rev. J. C. Bleakney, with Brethren Minard Beals and John Armstrong.

Liverpool—Rev. G. O. Gates and Dea. Thos. Nickerson.

Lockeport—Bro. B. W. Lockhart, lic., and Bro. Clifford Locke.

Lower Granville—Rev. F. Beattie.

Paradise—Rev. John Brown.

Temple Church—Dea. J. C. Anderson, Dr. Randall.

Tusket—Bro. A. Hurbert.

Wilmot Mountain—Rev. J. E. Bleakney.

Yarmouth 1st—Rev. G. E. Day, and Deacons A. C. Robbins and W. E. Huestis.

Yarmouth 3rd—Rev. J. A. Stubbert.

Yarmouth South—Bro. Jos. A. Kinney.

Members in their own right—Revs. G. B. Titus, P. R. Foster, A. Cohoon, John Clarke, L. M. Weeks, J. H. Saunders, J. Rowe, H. N. Parry, J. B. McQuillin, W. H. Richan.

Invited—Brethren F. C. Snow and E. P. Coldwell, lic., William Durkee, L. Patten, Dea. Geo. Wilson.

It was decided to close present session at 12 o'clock, to com-

mence afternoon session at 2 P. M., and close at 5 P. M., and to open the evening session at 7½ P. M.

A letter from Bro. A. P. Shand, President, was read by Bro. Cohoon, explaining reasons for being absent and expressing deep interest in the prosperity of our Union.

The Seventh Annual Report of the Home Missionary Board was read by Rev. A. Cohoon, Secretary.

Voted, That the Report be received for discussion, and considered clause by clause.

The Treasurer's Report was read and adopted.

The first and second clauses of the Annual Report were then discussed and adopted.

Prayer having been offered by Rev. T. A. Higgins the meeting adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M.

Afternoon Session.

Opening prayer offered by Rev. W. H. Richan.

Minutes of previous session read and approved.

The Report of the Board was further considered. The clause relating to the French Mission was discussed at considerable length. Remarks were made by Revs. J. Rowe, G. E. Day, A. Cohoon, A. Cogswell, G. O. Gates, J. H. Saunders, M. Normondy, J. C. Bleakney and P. R. Foster. The clause was then adopted.

The last clause of the Report, in reference to the transfer of the funds and work of the Home Missionary Union to a Board appointed by the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces, was fully considered and unanimously adopted.

Adjourned after prayer by Rev. J. C. Bleakney.

Evening Session.

Prayer was offered by Rev. J. I. DeWolfe.

The Annual Report having been considered it was now adopted as a whole.

Resolved, That this Union recommend the appointment of an additional French missionary as soon as practicable.

Remarks on the foregoing resolution were made by Revs. John Brown, T. A. Higgins, G. O. Gates, A. H. Lavers, Normondy, A. Cohoon, W. H. Warren, J. B. McQuillin and John Rowe.

On motion, the Executive Board of the Union was authorized to transfer the work, funds and property of said Union to the Home Mission Board appointed by the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the President, Secretary and other members of the Executive Board for their faithful and efficient services during the past year.

The thanks of the Union were also tendered to the friends at Hebron for kindness and hospitality.

An earnest closing prayer was offered by Rev. G. E. Day.

With this session the existence af the Nova Scotia Home Missionary Union ceases. Much has been accomplished, under the blessing of Heaven, by this Society. Since its formation, seven years ago, about 1400 converts have been baptized by its missionaries, a large number of weak churches have been cared for, and new interests have been started in many parts of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The meeting adjourned *sine die*, Rev. G. E. Day having offered fervent prayer for the future prosperity of our Home Missions.

W. H. WARREN, }
B. W. LOCKHART, } *Secretaries.*

N. S. Baptist Home Missionary Union.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The Executive Board of the N. S. Baptist Home Mission Union respectfully submit their Seventh Annual Report.

Knowing that many pressing calls for aid were being made upon our churches, and that the financial depression still continued, your Board have not deemed it wise to undertake all that they would otherwise have undertaken for the benefit of our weak churches and destitute portions of our land. They have judged it better, however, to have faith in God and their brethren, than to close their ears against worthy appeals.

OUR POLICY

has been to give aid only where union with other Churches in support of a pastor was impossible; or where inability to afford sufficient support remained after union. Much the larger part of the aid given has been in the way of grants to the churches. Only a few mission appointments have been made. While this method lessens considerably the reported amount of receipts and expenditures, your Board regard it as much the safer and more economical plan. Wherever possible the aid given has been extended over the year, *i. e.*, instead of twelve consecutive weeks one week per month has been spent. Thus several that appear in the annexed table as short missions are in reality regular supplies throughout the year.

That the work done, as well as the condition and prospects of the different fields may be the more clearly understood, we shall speak of each separately, and though the remarks must necessarily be brief, we trust that, with the subjoined tabulated statement, they will give all the information required.

NOVA SCOTIA PROPER.

ANNAPOLIS AND GREYWOOD AND MILFORD, *Rev. T. A. Higgins, Pastor.* Rev. T. A. Higgins has continued to labor on this field—one-fourth of his time being spent with the little church at Greywood and Milford. One hundred and fifty dollars has been given to aid in his support, *i. e.* fifty to Annapolis Church, and one hundred to Greywood and Milford Church. He reports "Congregation large, attention good. Six added by letter. Prospect of baptism soon."

ARGYLE AND PUBNICO, *E. P. Coldwell, Lic.* Just previous to the close of last year Pubnico was united with the Argyle field, and it was hoped that the two united would be able to afford an adequate support. Owing to the extra burdens imposed by the building of two meeting-houses, commenced a few years ago, they have been compelled to ask for aid and a small subsidy has been granted. Bro. Coldwell has labored with them the greater part of the year.

BARRINGTON AND WOODS HARBOR, *Rev. W. H. Richan, Pastor.* Bro. Richan having given up Pubnico and taken new ground at Barrington Head and Villagedale, a grant of $150 has been given to help forward the work. He writes, "I have preached to very attentive congregations at all my stations, and although I have not been permitted to see large results, I trust that some good has been done. Five have been baptized.

CROW HARBOR AND WHITE HEAD, *Rev. A. W. Barss, Missionary.* Since his settlementin Canso in October last, Bro. Barss has spent one week of each month on this field. He reports the people very poor and in great need of the Gospel.

DARTMOUTH, *Rev. John Clark, Pastor.* In April, 1878, Brother Clark was called to the pastorate of this Church, and the Board, desiring to aid and lift up our weak interest in this important place, in answer to their earnest request for help, granted a subsidy of $200 per annum. Bro. C. labored faithfully, and his reports have been very satisfactory to the Board. Six were baptized and seven added by letter during the year. We regret that the action of the Church led Bro. Clark to leave the field at the expiration of the year. It is feared that much of the good that would have been accomplished, had the arrangement of last year continued, has been prevented.

FALL RIVER AND WAVERLY, *Bro. Ralph Hunt, Missionary.* This Church is very small and weak. Bro. Hunt's mission was highly appreciated by them, but was too short to be productive of large results. Since the expiration of the Mission, Bro. Clark and a member of the Dartmouth Church have preached to them occasionally. This field should be connected with some other so as to have the labor extended through the year.

FOREST GLEN, YARMOUTH CO. This little Church has been supplied with preaching one Sabbath of each month by some of the county pastors, assisted by two lay brethren, without any expense to the Board. The work is reported, however, in table. Three have been received by letter and three by baptism. This Church began a few years ago with but eight members. Though located in a sparsely settled section it now numbers twenty-two, and is exerting a very beneficial influence on the community. They are building a small meeting-house.

HAMMONDS PLAINS, &c., (colored), *Rev. Wallace Lucas, Pastor*

A grant of $30 for nine months was made to Bro. Lucas to encourage him to give his time more fully to preaching the Gospel to the colored people at Hammonds Plains and other settlements. His reports show that a good amount has been done.

JEDDORE, *Rev. J. Meadows, Pastor.* A grant of $40 for the year was given to this field, especially to encourage Bro. Meadows to continue the work at the Head of Jeddore, where there is a good congregation, but little financial ability. The work done on the whole field has been reported, less than two-thirds of the brother's time being spent on it. Living at a great distance from the field makes the amount of work somewhat less than it would otherwise be.

LOWER SABLE RIVER, *Rev. E. N. Archibald, Pastor.* For seven months of the year—until his removal to P. E. Island—Bro. Archibald spent one-sixth of his time with this little Church for which he received from the Board $23.33. In his last report he writes: "We have had blessed little meetings all summer. The eight or nine young men received recently are doing well." He adds: "In retiring from labor in Nova Scotia, I desire to express many thanks to the Board for their kindness and for the joy I have felt in beholding God's blessing on their great work all abroad."

MAITLAND, HANTS CO., *Rev. G. N. Ballentine, Pastor.* Our cause in this field has long suffered from spasmodic effort. Your Board were therefore greatly rejoiced when Bro. Ballentine, graduate of Newton, accepted the call of the Church in June last. To aid them in supporting him $250 was voted for the year now closed. Bro. B. has entered enthusiastically into this work and already good results are being seen. Seven have been baptized and others received by letter and experience. Steps are being taken for the purchase of a lot of land for a parsonage, and the meeting-house, which is not well located, will be removed to the same lot. Eight or ten stations are occupied and the outlook is hopeful.

NEW GLASGOW AND BARNEY'S RIVER, *Rev. D. Freeman, Pastor.* The interest in this new field is steadily increasing. Bro. McGregor spent his summer vacation with them, and Bro. Freeman has carried forward the work during the winter. Five have been baptized and three added by letter. The Board are anxious to have a good man settled with them. To any one willing to do hard work for the Master, with the prospect of building up a strong Church, this affords an excellent opening. The brethren who have labored at New Glasgow have made occasional visits to Barney's River.

NEW AND CODDLE HARBORS, *Rev. A. W. Barss, Missionary.* During the first five months of the year Bro. Barss spent about one-fourth of his time with the little Church at the above named places. One was baptized.

NEW ROSS, *C. Haverstock, Missionary.* This station has been much blessed during the year. As a result of Bro. Haverstock's

mission of twelve weeks, eight baptisms were reported and others were subsequently baptized by Bro. Wm. Hall. Bro. Haverstock visited them again during the Christmas vacation, but was hindered in his work by severe illness. Though not under appointment, or paid by the Board, he kindly reported his work which is incorporated with his mission. He returns to that field this summer.

New Canada, Lunenburg Co., *H. E. S. Maider, Lic., Missionary.* Bro. Maider, who is engaged in teaching at Mahone Bay, has preached at this and surrounding stations during a part of the year. In order to make the mission self-sustaining, according to the offer made by himself, in undertaking the work, he has contributed from his own funds $10.25 toward its support.

Riverdale, Yarmouth Co., *Rev. P. R. Foster, Pastor.* This interest is properly a branch of the Tusket Church. During the year a neat little meeting-house has been opened, and a Sabbath School organized. One has been received by baptism and three by letter and experience.

River John, Tatmagouche and New Annan, *Rev. D. W. Crandall, Pastor.*—Bro. Crandall has completed his second year on this large and interesting field. He has baptized thirteen at River John, and regards New Annan as white for the harvest. A new meeting-house is being built at Lake Road, Tatmagouche. He says the people are willing to pay all they are able and even beyond their ability, so great is their anxiety to help on the cause.

Shelburne, Jordan River and Jordan Bay and Sand Point, *Rev. G. Goudy, Pastor.* These churches were without pastoral labor the first six months of the year. In November last Bro. Goudy accepted their call, and the Board granted a small subsidy to aid in his support. The interest in Shelburne town has been much weakened by the removal of useful members.

Sherbrooke West, *Rev. E. J. Grant, Pastor.* Aid to the amount of $40 per annum was granted to this church to assist them in securing the services for one-fourth of the time of Rev. E. J. Grant, pastor at Albany and Springfield. Bro. Grant remained on the field five months, and then resumed his studies at Newton. His labors during that time were much blessed. Six were added by baptism and the Church much encouraged. He reports the Church in good working order, the community very intelligent, and the people willing to give towards the support of the Gospel all they are able. Bro. Grant has returned to the field.

Tracadie and Guysboro' (colored), *A. H. Deakins, Missionary.* After a mission of six weeks among these people Bro. Deakins took charge of a school at Big Tracadie and continued to preach on the Sabbaths, and do such other mission work as he was able. He has reported in full to the Board. He regards some parts of the field as very encouraging, others discouraging.

Walton, *Rev. M. W. Brown, Pastor.* This little Church has

long been in a low state. After the formation of the Hants Co. Aux Board, several of the pastors visited and preached to them. Since October Rev. M. W. Brown has labored with them one-fourth of the time. As the result of his labors the condition of the Church has been much improved. Five have been baptized. A few of the brethren of the Hants Co. Board have generously given from their own private funds a donation of twenty-five dollars to pay for this work.

WENTWORTH, WILLIAMSDALE AND FOLLY LAKE, *Rev. T. B. Layton, Pastor.* On the recommendation of the Pastors' Conference of Colchester and Cumberland, a small subsidy was granted to these Churches to assist them in supporting Rev. T. B. Layton. The labors of the Bro. have been much blessed, especially in Wentworth, where twelve were added by baptism and three by letter. We are sorry to know that the work has proved too great for our brother's strength. His health has again failed, and he has been obliged to retire from the field, at least for a time.

WATERVILLE, HANTS CO., *A. Whitman, Lic., Supply.* The efforts of the Hants Co. brethren to unite this Church with Falmouth under one pastor, having failed, they advised the Board to grant them a subsidy of $40 to assist in giving this little Church the preached word. Under the direction of A. P. Shand, Esq., President of the Union, they have been supplied with preaching every other Sabbath, chiefly by Brethren A. Freeman and A Whitman. Brother Shand reports the good work steadily progressing, Attendance and attention good. Three have been baptized.

CAPE BRETON.

COW BAY, LITTLE GLACE BAY, MIRA AND HOMEVILLE, *J. C. Spurr, Pastor.* Early in June last Bro. J. C. Spurr, graduate of Newton, at the request of the Board went to this field. The character of his work and the results will be best judged by the following from his report: "Your missionary drives twenty miles every Sabbath, and preaches three times. This, with visiting, attending prayer and conference meetings, &c., studying, &c., makes my life a busy one. I have good health and a contented mind, and believe that God in His own good time will convert the unconverted, and add to His Church such as shall be saved. There seems to be a steadily increasing interest in every part of the field. At Glace Bay the congregation has more than doubled within the last six months, and still continues to increase. This Church has only a few members, but they are true and form an excellent nucleus, since they are intelligent and highly respected in the community. At Homeville the people seem to be in earnest. They are repairing their meeting-house. A neglected and disgraceful building is being transformed into a neat and comfortable chapel. At Mira we have been compelled to vacate the old meeting-house and to hold our services in the school-house. The frame for a new one is

hewn and is to be hauled to the site and framed without delay. At Cow Bay the interest is good and the congregation increasing." We will only add that a suitable property has been purchased at Cow Bay for a parsonage, the deed of which is held in trust by the Board.

MARGAREE AND MABOU, *Rev. J. A. Stubbert, Missionary.* At the beginning of the year the church at Margaree was in a very unhappy state. Through the labours of Rev. J. A. Stubbert, who spent three months with them a much better state of feeling was brought about and the cause of the trouble removed. He baptized one, and Bro. J. Kempton, who visited them shortly after baptized two or three more. On the return of Bro. S. the Board, desiring to encourage them to settle a pastor, voted to aid them to the amount of one hundred dollars for one year. But we are sorry to report that they are yet pastorless.

WEST BAY, *Rev. M. Ross, Missionary.* In the early part of the year now closing, this church enjoyed for a few weeks the labours of Rev. M. Ross. Subsequently, Bro. Wm. McGregor of Port Hawkesbury, was requested to labour on this field one week out of each month for the remainder of the year. The church at Port Hawkesbury, not concurring in the arrangement the appointment was cancelled. The Board regretted this, as this is the only economical way of supplying this small and poor church with the preached word.

P. E. ISLAND.

ALBERTON AND CAPE WOLF, &c., *Rev. E. B. Corey, Pastor.* On this large and important field our cause is advancing rapidly. In September last Rev. D. H. Simpson resigned his charge to resume his studies at Newton. He reported the field encouraging. Converts holding on their way. Baptist principles still gaining ground. Rev. E. B. Corey, by request of the Board went to that field shortly after Bro. S. left. His work has been much hindered by the presence of small-pox at Alberton during a greater part of the winter, but of late he has been blest with revival influences at Oleary Station. Ten have been baptized and eight others received for baptism.

CAVENDISH AND BELMONT, *Rev. J. B. Woodland, Pastor.* Bro. Woodland has continued to labor faithfully throughout the year. He has not been permitted to see large remits, but these will appear in due time. Cavendish has paid for all the work done there, but Belmont has been a heavy charge to the Board.

DUNDAS, LOWER GRAND RIVER, &c., *Rev. F. A. Kidston, Pastor.* After four months's labor in this field Bro. Kidson, through failing health, was obliged to retire from the work. He reported the prospects encouraging. New Testament principles taking hold on the minds of the people. This field is now united with East Point under the pastoral care of Rev. J. A. Gordon, who is now doing excellent work.

MONTAGUE AND MURRAY RIVER, *Rev. H. Foshay, Pastor.* Bro. Foshay has continued to labor in this field throughout the year. For six weeks Bro. Malcolm Ross united with him in laboring among the Gaelic-speaking people. Much good was done. Bro. F. has resigned and removed to Charlottetown. It is hoped that this field will be united with Uigg and Belfast, and thereby become self-sustaining.

SOURIS, *Rev. J. A. Gordon.* In September last a grant of fifty dollars was voted to aid in securing for this place the services of Rev. J. A. Gordon for one fourth of his time. No reports have been received, and it is not known whether the arrangement has been carried out or not.

FRENCH MISSION.

No change has taken place in the condition or prospects of the mission during the year. The Missionary's report shows a good amount of work done. Although six weeks was spent on a collecting tour, and appeals for aid have been made every month by the Secretary, the mission is still in debt to the amount of $333.16.

There has been some correspondence with Rev. A. H. Munro of Montreal, in reference to another missionary, but we have not yet succeeded in finding one suited to our field.

BOOK DEPARTMENT.

But little has been done in this department. A few Sunday Schools have been supplied with books, and a large number of religious and denominational tracts and pamphlets have been put in circulation. The sales have amounted to little over $200.

AUXILIARY BOARDS.

But one county (Hants) has regularly organized under the vote passed by the Union at its annual session. This Board has co-operated most harmoniously with the Executive Board, being scrupulously careful not to exceed the powers given to it by the vote of the Union. Besides much valuable information relative to the mission fields of the County, it has forwarded to our Treasury $133.23 for Home Missions and $9.61 for French mission. Your Board believe that similar organizations in each county, conducted as this one has been, would not only greatly aid our Home Mission operations, but our denominational work generally. That their modes of working may be more clearly understood we give this report in full:

Report of the Hants Co. Auxiliary Home Mission Board for the year 1878-9.

TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE HOME MISSIONARY UNION:

Dear Brethren:

We beg to report in brief the work done by this Board during the past year.

The Board was organized at Summerville, on the 5th of August, 1878, when 18 laymen, representing the eleven churches of the county, were appointed by the Pastors to be members of the Board.

The following officers were chosen: *President*, Bro. A. P Shand; *Vice-President*, Bro. Andrew Shaw; *Secretary*, Rev. J. A. McLean, *Treasurer*, Rev. M. W. Brown.

Nine meetings of the Board have been held during the year at the following places: Summerville, Hantsport, Falmouth, Windsor, Rawdon, Newport, Maitland.

At these meetings consideration has been given to the needs of the following places and the best means of supplying them with preaching, viz.: Walton, Waterville, Falmouth, Windsor Plains, Shubenacadie, Nine Mile River, Kennetcook, Cogmagun.

By vote of the Board the churches having settled Pastors were requested to allow their Pastors to spend two Sundays in the year in destitute places in the county. By leave of the churches some work of this kind has been done by most of the Pastors, and by Bro. J. O. Redden, A. B. (Lic) By this means Home Mission work has been done at Shubenacadie, Nine Mile River, Cogmagun' Falmouth, Windsor Plains, Walton.

Several sermons have been preached in most of these places, and several families visited. It is hoped that all these places will need preaching in the future.

Considerable labor has been required in the way of traveliing, correspondence, &c, to ascertain the needs of the county.

FINANCES.

The Board recommended the churches to adopt the quarterly envelope system for collecting funds for benevolent objects.

Most of the churches have adopted this system, and it is hoped that more regularity and success will attend its use during the coming year.

The Board has endeavored by public missionary meetings, by sermons, and by furnishing envelopes gratuitously (by liberality of the President), to aid in collecting funds for the Union, and to cultivate systematic and general giving. By the efforts and influence of this Board, as it is thought, the contributions from this county will exceed those of last year.

The Board appointed a Treasurer to receive the collections taken at our public meetings, and such funds as the churches might choose to forward through him.

Our work for the past year strengthens our conviction of the necessity and usefulness of such an organization as the Auxiliary Board. It promotes fellowship and unity of action among the churches, secures a more general interest in our denominational enterprises, increases the knowledge of local needs and prospects, and gains for our worthy endeavors greater liberality on the part of the membership of the churches.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board.

J. A. McLEAN, *Secretary.*
Per E. M. K. *pro tem.*

GENERAL SUMMARY

Of work performed under the direction of your Board and the results.

Assistance has been given to 50 churches, 123 stations occupied the whole or part of the year by 35 laborers, who together have labored 921½ weeks, and preached 2407 sermons, attended 1814 other meetings, made 7781 pastoral visits, distributed 12,195 pages of tracts, baptized 101, and received by letter 37. In aid of this work the Board has granted $3143.94.

While the number of baptisms is less than in some former years, it is pleasing to notice that so many of the missionaries report some increase in this way. It is to be remembered that the year past has not been a year of great revivals in any of our churches. Your Board are satisfied that your missionaries have done good earnest work, and regard the outlook on several of the fields as exceedingly hopeful.

FINANCIAL POSITION.

Your Board hoped that they had kept the expenditure sufficiently low to enable them to close the year free of debt, and are disappointed to find that instead of this their present liabilities are $1139.49 for Home Missions, and $333.16 for French Missions.

This is to be accounted for largely by the following considerations: First, a legacy of four hundred dollars, which was counted on in estimating the probable income, has not yet been paid over. Second, P. E. Island has not contributed the amount expected by upwards of three hundred dollars, and third, Yarmouth town, owing to the unusual financial depression of the past winter has not done nearly as much as in former years. But inasmuch as there are three legacies amounting in all to more than eight hundred dollars, which will probably be paid over during the incoming year, your Board consider the financial position as by no means discouraging.

HOME MISSIONS IN THE CONVENTION.

Your Board regard with much satisfaction the action of the General Convention at its last annual session in Fredericton, in the matter of Home Missions. And inasmuch as the Home Mission Union at its last annual session expressed its willingness to hand over its work to the Convention when proper arrangements had been made by that body to receive it; and inasmuch as said Convention at the meeting above referred to did appoint a Board of Home Missions, which Board is now legally qualified to receive all the work and trusts of your Board, we do therefore respectfully recommend that instead of appointing a new Board you direct your work to be transferred to the Board of the Convention.

(Conclusion of Report on page XV.*)*

General Tabulated Statement of the Labours of the Missionaries for 1878-79.

Fields of Labour.	Names of Labourers.	No. of Stations.	Total average Attendance.	Weeks of Labour.	Sermons.	Other Meetings.	Pastoral Visits.	Pages of Tracts Distributed.	No. Baptized.	No. Received by Letter, &c.	Paid by Board.	Salary raised on the field.	No. Sabbath Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.
1 Annapolis, Greywood, and Milford	T. A. Higgins	4	.....	52	123	116	466	230	....	6	$150 00	.....	3	12	140
2 Argyle and Pubnico	E. P. Coldwell	4	.....	46	94	56	285	.....	....	....	62 50	.....	4	....	....
3 Barrington and Wood's Harbor	W. H. Richan	5	250	52	136	185	379	.....	5	1	150 00	$320 80	3	13	95
4 Crow Harbor	A. W. Barss	2	.....	*7	22	20	155	200	....	....	66 56	3 44	....	....	....
5 Dartmouth	J. Clark	2	190	52	134	103	849	.....	6	7	200 00	536 98	2	12	80
6 Fall River and Waverly	R. M. Hunt	3	180	11	25	31	83	600	....	....	65 23	22 77	1	8	52
7 Forest Glen, Yarmouth Co.	County pastors	1	50	*12	15	13	25	.....	3	2	.....	.....	1	3	30
8 Hammonds Plains, &c.	Wallace Lucas	5	200	90	64	14	365	85	1	....	30 00	.....	....	....	....
9 Jeddore	J. Meadows	3	160	35	57	48	125	.....	2	....	40 00	300 00	3	7	....
10 Lower Sable River	E. N. Archibald	2	80	*7	21	12	95	475	....	1	23 33	35 00	1	3	25
11 Maitland, Hants Co.	G. N. Ballentine	10	575	50	139	92	265	256	7	2	250 00	350 00	....	....	....
12 New Glasgow and Barney's River	P. S. McGregor	6	.....	12	30	38	83	.....	3	....	58 00	50 00	1	5	40
13 New Glasgow and Barney's River	D. Freeman	....	.....	25½	41	117	457	250	2	3	150 00	93 91	....	....	....
14 New & Coddle Harbor	A. W. Barss	6	.....	*6	23	6	118	85	1	....	29 77	30 23	1	5	30
16 New Canada	C. Havemann	3	185	15	34	23	261	210	8	1	30 72	78 95	1	4	92
17 Riverdale, Yarmouth Co.	H. E. S. Mosder	4	120	14	35	19	64	.....	....	....	10 25	17 25	2	15	80
18 River John, Tatamagouche, &c.	P. R. Foster	1	70	*12	34	36	93	.....	1	3	60 00	.....	1	5	27
19 River John	D. W. Crandall	10	120	52	188	142	256	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
	J. Wallace														

6	Fall River and Waverly	R. M. Hunt	2	190	52	134	103	349										
7	Forest Glen, Yarmouth Co	County pastors	3	180	11	25	31	83	600			65 23	22 77	1	8	52
8	Hammonds Plains, &c	Wallace Lucas	1	50	*12	15	13	25		3	2			1	3	30
9	Jeddore	J. Meadows	5	200	30	64	14	365	85	1		30 00				
10	Lower Sable River	E. N. Archibald	3	160	35	57	48	125		2		40 00	300 00	3	7	
11	Maitland, Hants Co	G. N. Ballentine	2	80	*7	21	12	95	475		1	23 33	35 00	1	3	25
12	New Glasgow and Barney's River	P. S. McGregor	10	575	50	139	92	265	256	7	2	250 00	350 00			
13	New Glasgow and Barney's River	D. Freeman	6		12	30	38	83		3		58 00	50 00	1	5	40
14	New & Coddle Harbor	A. W. Barss			25½	41	117	457	250	2	3	150 00	93 91			
			6		*6	23	6	118	85	1		29 77	30 23	1	5	30
15	[illegible]	[illegible]	3	180	15	34	21	231	215	8	1	35 72	78 55	1	4	92
16	New Canada	H. E. S. Mader	4	120	14	35	10	64				10 25	17 25	2	15	80
17	Riverdale, Yarmouth Co	P. R. Foster	1	70	*12	34	36	93		1	3	60 00		1	5	27
18	River John, Tatamagouche, &c	D. W. Crandall	10	120	52	188	142	256	2970	13	4	100 00	264 00	2	6	40
19	River John	J. Wallace			2	18	10	56				20 00	15 00			
20	Shelburne, Jordan River, &c	G. Goudy	3	130	24	76	41	105		3		75 00		3		
21	Sherbrooke West	E. J. Grant	1	75	*6	14	24	51		6		16 66	22 00	1	4	25
22	Tracadie and Guysborough, (col.)	A. H. Deakins	4	250	26	55	27	206	200			46 00	2 00	1		
23	Walton	M. M. Brewn	1		*8	19	17	50		5	1	25 00	20 00	1		
24	Waterville, Hants Co	A. Whitman and A. Freeman	1	80	34	76	36	110		3		40 00	60 00	1		50
25	Wentworth, Williamsdale, &c	T. B. Layton	4		25	44	47	332	200	12	3	75 00	68 00	2		
26	Cow Bay, Little Glace Bay, &c	J. C. Spurr	6	200	48	150	129	375	215			175 00	300 00		10	100
27	Margaree and Mabou	J. A. Stubbert	2	300	12	32	8	143		1		8 00	111 00	1	5	50
28	West Bay	M. Ross	5	70	6	16	7	100		1		37 75	22 25			
29	Alberton and Cape Wolf	E. B. Corey	10	400	29	130	103	220	100	10		100 01	150 00	2	8	80
30	Alberton and Cape Wolf	D. H. Simpson			23	100	49	120		1		50 00	110 00			
31	Cavendish and Belmont	J. B. Woodland	4	150	52	126	128	339	1620	2		217 93	302 07	2	9	70
32	Dundas, Lower Grand River, &c	F. A. Kidson	4	450	17	48	35	72	100			33 33		2		
33	Montague and Murray's River	H. Foshay	4	200	52	142	65	300		4		100 00	150 00			
34	Montague and Murray's River	M. Ross			6	32	2	92		1		53 25	6 75			
35	Souris	J. A. Gordon														
36	French Mission	M. Normondy	3		52	114	26	716	†494			584 50	15 50			
			123	4840	921½	2407	1814	7781	$12185	101	37	$3143 94				

*One week per month.

†Besides 6 New Testaments and 3 Bibles.

IN CONCLUSION

Your Board would record with heartfelt gratitude the pleasing fact that during the seven years that have passed since the formation of this Union more than 1400 have been baptized by the laborers employed by your Board. Unto him who giveth the increase be all the glory.

In behalf of the Board,

A. COHOON, *Cor. Secretary.*

Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union in account with J. C. Anderson, Treasurer, 1878-79.

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HOME MISSION.

Paid Deficency on last year's work	$ 755 83	
" Missionaries and Subsidies, N. S., Branch	1,480 43	
" Printing Minutes Western Ass. & H. M. Union	129 36	
" Expenses Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer	20 26	
		$2,385 88

P. E. Island Branch.

Paid Missionaries and Subsidies	$605 90	
" Printing Island Minutes, $48.00, Postage, $1.05	49 05	
		$654 95

Book Department.

Paid G. H. Springer, Boston, for books	$138 72	
" Rev. W. B. Boggs for Pamphlets	10 00	
" Express, Duty and Freight, &c	13 31	
		$162 03
To Balance carried down		7 90
		$3210 76

FRENCH MISSION.

Paid balance due on last year's work	$309 99	
" Missionary on this year's salary	266 84	
" Copy of Deed, French Missionary premises	1 40	
		$578 23
Balance due Treasurer brought down		3 30

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HOME MISSION.

By balance from last report, N. S. Branch	$125 87	
" Receipts from N. S. Associations	1,110 99	
" " " Churches	397 81	
" " Individuals	280 50	
" " Mission Fields	321 96	
" " Miscellaneous	90 04	
		$2,327 17

P. E. Island Branch.

By balance in Island Treasury, June 1st, 1878	$31 96	
" Receipts from Association	115 05	
" " " Churches	82 70	
" " " Individuals	110 50	
" " " Mission Fields	312 82	
" " " Miscellaneous	3 34	
		$656 37
Book Department per Rev. G. E. Day, M. D		227 22
		$3,210 76
By balance brought down		7 90

FRENCH MISSION.

By Receipts from Associations	$283 51	
" " " Churches	48 83	
" " " Individuals	74 09	
" Collected by Missionary on field	15 50	
" " " on agency	153 00	
		$574 93
Balance due Treasurer		3 30
		$578 23

Examined and found correct,

JOSHUA HUESTES } *Auditors.*
PEARL D. KINNEY }

Detailed Statement of Receipts.

NOVA SCOTIA.

From Associations—Western, $422.93. Central, $334.53. Eastern, $353.53. Total, 1,110.99.

From Churches—Osborne, $11.00. Sable River, $8.50. Hebron, $30.00. 1st Digby Neck, $1.00. 2nd Digby Neck, $1.00. West Yarmouth, $6.20. North Church, Halifax, $15.00. Liverpool, $12.50. Amherst, $40.25. Newport, 14.70. Wolfville, $45.00. Temple Church, Yarmouth, $25.00. 1st St. Mary's, $5.00. Indian Harbor, $5.00. Upper Londonderry, $2.80. Great Village, $4.25. Windsor, $82.26. Waterville, $4.32. Falmouth, $2.50. Rawdon, $3.92. Maitland, $3.18. Kempt, $12.63. Granville St., Halifax, $38.80. River John, $15.00. Westport, $8.00. Total, $397.81.

From Individuals—A Friend, Granville, $1.00. Benj. Smith, 1.00. C. Eaton, 4.00. Wm. Weddleton, 15.00, Peter Paint, 50.00. Mrs. S. Ryerson, 10.00. Mrs. C. Turner, 1.00. Amos. Scott, 2.00. A Friend, Guysboro, 32.00. Wm. McVicker, 400. Lewis Allen, 5.00. Benj. Hardy, 2.00. W. C. Bill, 5.00. Mrs. Benj. Smith, $1.00. J. W. Barss, 25.00. John Smith, 3.00. Mrs. J. W. Lovitt, $10.00. J. W. Frail, 2.00. Rev. T. H. Porter, 20.00. Miss Whitman, 2.75. E. H. Eaton, 6.50. Mrs. Dr. Syda, 2.00. Legacy of the late Mrs. G. E. Dewitt, Chester, 25.00. Simeon Daniels, 4.00. Miss Nellie M. Nelson, 2.00. Samuel Embree, 9.75. A Sister 2nd Hillsburgh Church, 25c. H. E. S. Maider, 10.25. Special donation by some of the members of Hants Co. Board, 25.00. Total $280.50.

From Mission Fields—West Bay, 7.25. New Glasgow, 49.46. Fall River, 22.77. Tracadie, $2.00. Margaree and Mabou, C. B., 111.01. Crow Harbor, 3.44. New and Coddles Harbor, 30.23. New Ross, $78.55. New Canada, 17.25. Total, $321.96.

Miscellaneous—Mission Band, Temple Church, Yarmouth, $18.00. Hants Co. Aux. Board collection, 17.72. Kings Co. Ministerial Conference, 24.70. Yarmouth Co. Ministerial Conference, 4.05. Wolfville Baptist Sabbath School, 24.00. Col. at Port Medway and Mill Village, 1.75. Total, $80.04.

P. E. ISLAND BRANCH.

Association, July, 1878, $115.05. Baptist Church North River, 56.50. Long Creek, 6.75. Cavendish, 10.00. Clyde River, 9.45. Total, $82.50.

From Individuals—Late G. P. McDonald, $10.00. Geo. Davis, 100.00. Geo. Houlett, 50c. Total, $110.50.

Collected by Missionaries—Jos. S. Brown, $4.00. M. Ross, 6.67. Rev. J. B. Woodland, $302.07. Total, $302.82.

Miscellaneous—Refunded by J. B. Woodland, $2.44. Do. Railway Fares, 90cts. Total, $3.34.

FRENCH MISSION.

From Associations—Western Association, $223.48. Central, $45.03. Eastern, 15.00. Total, $283.51.

From Churches—Canard, $4.50. Hebron, 4.00. West Yarmouth, 1.65. Third Yarmouth, 10.00. Great Village, 2.15. Lower Village, Truro, 4.00. Osborne, 2 00. Upper Londonderry, 92cts. Granville St., Halfax, 10.00. Windsor, 7.40. Maitland, 46cts. Newport, 97cts. Rawdon, 78cts. Total, $48.83.

From Individuals—J. B. Chute's deceased children, $3.04. J. B. Chute's wife, 1.00. Donald Grant, 80cts. Legacy of the late Mrs. Dewitt Chester, 25.00. Mrs. Walker, 5.00. Wallace Sanders, 1.00. Mrs. J. Newcomb, 1.00. Mrs. Jos. Shaw, 10.00. A. E. P., 2.00. G. F. Allen, 10.00. A. F. Harlow, 1.00. Mr. & Mrs. Hatfield, 3.00. Debtor, P. E. I., 1.00. A Friend Guysboro, 2.00. A Friend, 6.00. Wm. Shaw, 1.00. S. Daniels, 1.00. A Sister, 2nd Hillsburgh Church, 25cts. Total, $74.09.

Collected by Missionaries on field—$15.50. On Agency, $153.00. Total, $168.50.

Financial Position.

The state of the Finances at this date, June 1st, 1879.

Amount due Missionaries in Nova Scotia	$816 06
" " P. E. Island	323 43
" French Missionary	333 16
Total	$1,472 65
Less balance on hand	7 90
Deficency	$1,464 75